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DR. STRICKLEN IS BACK

Hamline M. E. Church-Found an Illustration in One of Li Hung Chang's Sayings-There Is Only One Way of Safety.

"The polpit of the Hamline M. E. Church, Night and P streets northwest, was occu-pied by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Stricklen, yesternay, he having retorned from his mer vacation.

At the morning service occurred the sacrament of the Lord's supper.

The subject of the sermon preached at night was, "Sin's bown Grane." The text was taken from Fsaim xviv. 12-13. Thanse thou me trom secret thoughts. Keep back thy servant also from presamptaous sins." Mr. Strickien spoke in part as follows:

A DOWNWARD FORCE. "There is a force in this universe to which men have given the name of gravitation. It is recognized as everywhere present and constantly in operation. If a man once loses his balance on a dizzy height, nothing can save him from being hirled into the abysis beneath. The law is insvitable.

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'There is another law as sure and as inevitable as the law of gravity. Its tendency, too, is downward, carthward, sinward in the human breast. It is the law widen operates to carry men still larther down the incline of Satan, when once they have started on its downward course. have started en its downward course.

'The great Chinaman, Li Hung Chang, refinarked as he was on his way to West Pount. 'It is like heaven hard to get to.'

Yes, my brother, heaven is hard to get to the who strives to reach that glorious aven must constantly contend and tattle haven must constantly contend and tattle with the downward tendencies which weigh so heavily in the talance against the upward tendencies in man. In fact, it can be said there is no upward tendency in man. Ever since the fall the tendency has been down, down, down, further into ignorance, degradation and sin. It is only the building of schools, the scattering of knowledge and the preaching of good and holy influences that give to man his better, higher loopings and attainments.

ences that give to man his better, nigher longings and attainments.

"The beganing of this downward course is the crists in many a life. It may be but a little secret thought, which has been condoned; but that small beginning leads finally to vice, corruption, moral downfall, to the bottom of the inclined railway which runs into the Jaws of hell. If we are to save men, we must keep them from starting on this wild career down the incline.

A SECRET PLACE.

"In every one's heart there is a secret place, a sanctum sanctorum, where each one sees himself as he really is. There is cast off the venering which is sho wat to the outer world and which men may respect and honor. Do you not see, when here in communion with your inner self, many thoughts in which are no purity nor hophness?"

holiness?

"Cleanse thou me of secret thoughts," is the supplication of the Psaimist. Everyone to be rid of these darksome thoughts must be cleansed. Cleansed not with material water, for whether it be sprinkled or poured or the person completely immersed, the sin is still in the heart. Cleansed only by the spirit of the living God. This purification consists of two steps. First to be pardoned; second, to be cleansed in the beart and made pure and holy.

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"The penitent need but imploringly pray. Gleane thou me from secret thoughts," and the plea will be heeded by the Lord of Lords. Then when the cleausing has been made perfect and the similer has been liaptized in the spirit of hollness, if he will but say. 'Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins,' the Lord will take him in His protecting arm and he shall be safe forevermore."

CHRISTIANS TOO FEARFUL.

Rev. Hez Swem Says They Should Be Brave.

The pulpit of the Second Raptist Church was filled yesterday by Rev. Edmond Hez Swein, pastor, who returned from his vacation last Thursday. He took as his subject, "A Washington Woman's Supposed

ject, "A Washington Woman's Supposed Horgiar," and selected as his text, Judges vii:21: "All the hosts ran and cried and fied." He said in part:

"The great Philistine host, with their countless tents, were camped within sight of Gideon's little band. The sun set and darkness settled on the scene. In the day the little band would have been quickly destroyed, but under the cover of night the 300 conquered the mighty forces of the enemy. With their torches concealed in pitchers, and carrying trumpets, three divisions, of 100 each, marched down on three sides of the Philistine camp, and when the pitchers had been broken, the torches raised, and the trumpets blown, terror was created in the breasts of the terror was created in the breasts of the enemy, so that they fell upon one another. They thought that they were surrounded by a great army, and in their fear mistook each other for enemies and a rout was the result. Their fears were imagi-

mary and needless.

"Some weeks ago we read in the papersthat a gentleman in this city told his wife that he was going into Maryland for a brief trip, and while he was preparing for the journey in an upper room his wife entered and cried: "Here's a burglar!" Then recognizing her husband, added: 'Oh, I thought that you had gone.' Many women are looking for burglars and some men are as cowardly as their wives. Thus we are

are looking for our glars and some interactions cowardly as their wives. Thus we are pursued by needless fear.

"We heard some time ago that a mighty army was instraining upon the Capitol of the United States, and every day the papers contained announcements of the progress. of the bostile forces. Gen. Coxey was reported housed in a hotel while his me-slept onthesnow. Washingtonians rembled in their beds, others quaked in their shoes

in their beds, others quaked in their shoes When the army reached the city we saw that we had feared without reason.

Now I will talk to the children and you older people may sleep in the meantime. A gentleman from Philadelphia tobi me recently of an incident which he saw near his home. A bear skin had been stuffed and was starfling in front of a fur store. A little dog who came unawares upon the figure ran away in terror, but after getting at a safe distance came hack and seemed to be ashaned of himself for having been frightened so easily. "Christians are as easily alarmed as this dog. A believer in the true God has no reason to be afraid. There were twelve Christians once who became frightened when the storm arose. A child of Christ cannot be hurt. The watchful eye of the Almighty is upon us and uo harmen had the storm as food has head of the storm arose. A child of Christ cannot be hurt. The watchful eye of the Almighty is upon us and uo harmen had the storm as food has head of the storm and the storm arose.

of the Almighty is upon us and no harm can beful us so long as God has his purpose to fulfill. Suppose our enemies aboud destroy our lives, we will but get hotte the scorer.

"When we fear we lack faith. Let the

"When we fear we lack faith. Let the unid soul look up steadfastly toward its God, trusting Bim implicitly, and all will be well. It is said in the parable, The wickedfleeth when coman pursueth." They have good reason to fice, and almost all situations have greatternors for them. The man who pussins trust in God is strong and steadfast, for his Lord has promised to keep him from all turn. Put your faith in God and all fear will be banished."

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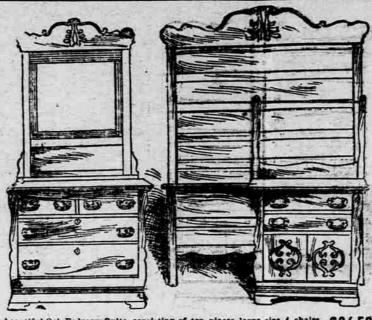
Dr. Bryant Founded His Discourse on the New Library.

At the Fourth Presbyterian Church yesterday morning Rev. William Bryant preached a sermon based 44 on the tweive his orient figures pointed upon the dome of the new Library of Cegress. His text was from Isniah Ix 11, and Pevelations xxi.24. He commenced by saying:

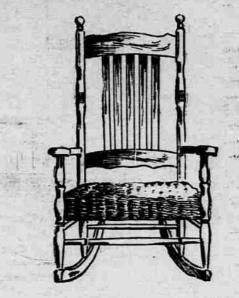
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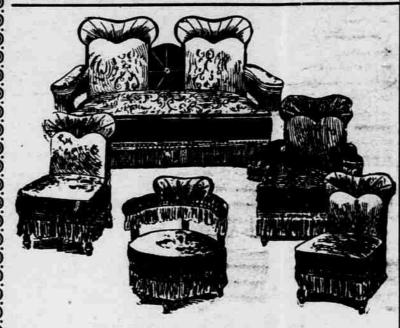


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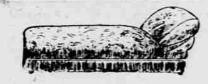
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Here great ideas, long dagmant, or dinily germinant, have found expression. Generation after generation from kunnymede to Bonker Hill, grappled with the problem of human rights. They found expression in the Declaration of Independence, and a living organism in the new-torn republic. Here slavery met its final death blow at an awful cost of blood and trensure. Here problems of self-denial for the sake of others are taking shape in temperance effort. Here world-wide missions found its birth place and is taying its notification. Here Christian training and work for the young sprang into being at God'scall, and has taken sinpein Sabt ath schools and Christian Endeavor. Here, if anywhere, must be worked out not lest plans for human regeneration and a grander nobility.

"In this new land, freer than any old

grander nobility.

"In this new land, freer than any old land could possibly be, from worn-out prejudice and benumbing tradition, caproblems be successfully worked out for bringing to this great old, weary world, renewal of beautiful youth. Here, in the center of the earth, with the orient and the occident knocking eagerly at our doors for admission, must be selved the problems that are reserved for these new best days of the Church of Christ. Well is America represented by sturdy young manhood as a





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The speaker closed by showing how the civilization of India, China, Japan, Africa, Australia and Bussia must all have part in the coronation scene.

"Only one in all the wide universe is worthy to Wear the crown. Only one car

worthy to wear the crown. Only one can be crowned in our hearts an I lives as King Suprene. It is lie who won us by His love, He whose love sprang tot from the final penalty of supreme sacrifice of self. He for whom the ages waited with hushed voices. Let us crown llim, crown the Saviour Lord of All." and government, roads and aqueducts to the world and prepared the way for the coming of the Messiah. Islam, the image breaker, the unconscious crystallizer of Clyistianity for resistance to evil: the Middle Ages, with the blind search after the shadow of truth when the substance was gone; time of crusudes and massive cathedrals. Italy, land of Raphael, Michael Angelo, Dante and Savonarold: Germany, with its printing press, philosophies, musicians and Luther. Spain trying to convert new worlds to the cross England with its mighty empirecarrying the Bible to every quarter of the globe. France, the daughter of liferty, failing for lack of conscience to find it, and leaving its triumphs to the great young republic SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

sting Meeting of Workers Feld in Galbraith's Chapel.

Christain workers among colored youth ere out in force at the annual meeting of the Sunday-school Union of the District of Columbia, bell yesterday afternoon at Galbraith's Chapel. Sixth street, between L and M streets northwest. The exercises began with a song and praise service, led by L. A. Cornish, ex-president of the Sunday-school Union. The

officers of the organization then presented their annual reports, which were accepted Miss M I. Thockmorton theotreping secretary, reported that delegates from thirty Runday-acheols of the District were present; Miss Cusberd, the retiring treasurer, reported that all of the expenses of the year had been met and that a good balance remained; Clem Herbert, of the prayer and praise committee, stated that 554 conversions had been made in the schools, and J. L. Jasper, of the lookout committee, informed the union that, a viogrous campaign had been mapped out

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Rev. J. A. Coibert, paster of Calbraith Chapel, in a few well-chosen words welcorred the celegates to the church, congratulated them on the success which, they had met in their work, and hade them Godspeed in their future efforts.

Rev. J. L. Thomas, paster of Asbury A. M. E. Church, deixered the installation address and enjoined the new officers to incessure reliefly. The officers imaginated were: President, P. B. Pagley; vice president, E. J. Maulton; recording secretary, Miss M. L. Throckmorton; corresponding secretary. Dr. Frank J. Webb;

problems be successfully worked out for bringing to this great old, weary world tenewal of beautiful youth. Here, in the center of the earth, with the orient and the occident knocking eagerly at our doors for admission, must be solved the problems that are reserved for these new best days of the Church of Christ. Well is America represented by sturdy young manhood as a builder.

"Let him conserve his strength. Let him bit it wisely and well. Let us cheer the coming race by the thought that in these mays in its America we are laying foundations for all eleraity.

"We have completed the circle. From

conducted by the union, and reports will be read by Miss Mattle Bowen and William Jarvis, the District delegates to the In-ternational Sunday-school Union convention to Borea. DR. POWER'S ANNIVERSARY.

Twenty-one Years Pastor of Vermont Avenue Church.

The Rev. F. D. Power, who has served twenty-one years as pastor of the Vermont Avenue Christian Church, was to have Avenue Christian Church, was to have preached the anniversary sermon yesterday morning, but was prevailed upon to postpone it until next Sanday, when very many more of his congregation will have returned from their summer vacations. The sermon, the reverend gentieman asserts, deals only with the affairs of the church during

only with the affairs of the church during the last year.

A year ago Mr. Power preached his twentieth anniversary sermon and em-bodied in that the history of the church, which began over lifty years ago. He rewhich began over inty years ago. He re-viewed then at some length the growth of the church up to the 5th of September, 1875, when he began his pastorate. Rev. Mr. Power, previous to his accept-ance of the call extended to him, was a professor in Bethany College, West Vir-ginia, and before that time had preached for three years in the country churches of his State. He accepted the coll extended and the history of the church from that time up to the present is well known. In the anniversary sermon preached a year ago the pastor spoke at great length upon President Garfield's connection with the church and referred feelingly to his un-timely death.

The building of the new church begon just before President Garfield's death, and as the church was the one which the President attended and the present church was timished shortly ofter the President's death, it is familiarly called the Garfield Memorial. The dedication occurred January 20, 1884.

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